

ORANGE DEPARTMENT OF POLICE SERVICE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

COMMISSIONER ROY CUZZOCREO
COMMISSIONER CHRISTOPHER CARVETH

COMMISSIONER JOHN BARTON

COMMISSIONER MARIAN HURLEY COMMISSIONER NYJAHWAHN WALKER

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS Immediately following Traffic Authority Meeting Monday November 13, 2023

Unapproved Minutes

Commission Chairman Barton called the meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners to order at 5:45 p.m.

Commissioners Present:

Commissioner Jack Barton Commissioner Roy Cuzzocreo Commissioner Marian Hurley Commissioner Christopher Carveth Commissioner Nyjahwahn Walker

Commissioners Absent:

Also Present:

Police Chief Robert Gagne Assistant Chief Max Martins Kathy Gulia, Board Secretary

Minutes

Commissioner Hurley seconded by Commissioner Cuzzocreo, made the motion to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2023 Board of Police Commissioners Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Reports

Activity of the Department: Assistant Chief Martins discussed October statistics with the Commissioners. The Board was informed that there were 57 criminal arrests and 107 motor vehicle citations. There were no commercial burglaries and 3 residential as well as 4 stolen motor vehicles and none recovered. In addition, there were 70 larcenies and 82 motor vehicle accidents. There were 3,540

Reports (continued)

calls for service that generated 640 written reports. Assistant Chief Martins updated the Board on recent burglaries.

Chief Gagne reported that the Records Division took in report sales of \$57.00, \$430.00 in permits, \$100.00 in Parking Tags, and fingerprints of \$25.00 for a total of \$612.00.

Expenditures

Chief Gagne highlighted expenses for recruit and probationary officer uniforms, duct cleaning, rifle purchases and ammunition.

Budget Balances

Chief Gagne advised that the budget is in good order, the overage in computer supplies is a posting error and explained the increase in ammunition purchases due to the new rifles and anticipated shortages in the near future.

Old Business

<u>Radio System – High Plains Tower</u>: Chief Gagne updated the Board that our equipment has been installed and is working on the tower. In addition, the redundant microwave was added.

<u>LPR Project</u>: Chief Gagne updated the Board now that the tower and redundant microwave are complete Utility Communications will begin installing LPRs in three locations. They also anticipate completing the mast installation in the near future.

New Business

<u>2024-2029 Short Term Capital Submission</u>: Chief Gagne reviewed and detailed our submission with the Board, explaining the major requests for 2024-2029. The first committee meeting will be November 30th at the Police Department.

<u>2024-2025</u> Budget Preparation: The budget preparation has begun and will be submitted in December, Chief Gagne will advise if a Special Meeting is needed for review and approval prior to submission.

Correspondence

Letter to Chief Gagne from Charles Sherwood, SCCJA, thanking Lt. LaPlante for serving on the oral board panel for the Wallingford PD, Sergeant position.

Thank you letter from Chief Gagne to Mr. Ian Shackelton for his participation at the funeral of retired Chief Rowley.

Thank you letters from Chief Gagne to Det. Peterson, Off. Taylor, Off. Yelenik and Off. Artabane for participating in the Honor Guard for the funeral of retired Chief Rowley.

Thank you letter from Chief Gagne to Off. Piscitelli thanking him for the Police Escort at the funeral of retired Chief Rowley.

Thank you letters to Lt. LaPlante and Off. Colon thanking them for the Motorcycle Escort at the funeral of retired Chief Rowley.

Thank you letter and candy from Loretta and Phil Smith thanking the Department for all they do.

Thank you letters from Charles Sherwood to Chief Bucherati, Chief Doyle, Chief McAllister and Chief Drumm for having members of their Departments serve on the Orange Police Department's oral boards for the position of Sergeant.

Personnel

Office Recognition for Officer DeClement, written by Sgt. Edwards: Chief Gagne presented the explanation from Sgt Edwards commending Officer DeClement for his excellent work.

Letter of Retirement from Officer Burke: Commissioner Hurley, seconded by Commissioner Carveth made a motion to accept Officer Burke's retirement resignation. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Cuzzocreo seconded by Commissioner Walker made a motion to enter Executive Session at 6:10 p.m. The motion passed unanimously. The Board invited Chief Gagne and Assistant Chief Max Martins into Executive Session.

Board Secretary Kathy Gulia left the meeting at 6:12 p.m.

Commissioner Carveth, seconded by Commissioner Hurley made a motion to bring the Board out of Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Carveth, seconded by Commissioner Hurley made a motion to promote Officer Fernandes to the Rank of Sergeant. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hurley seconded by Commissioner Walker, made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Gulia, Board Secretary